## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Federal Aviation Administration** 

[Docket No. FAA-2023-0234]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a Renewed

Approval of Information Collection: Bird/Other Wildlife Strike Report

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The collection involves voluntary reporting of bird/other wildlife strike information following a wildlife strike incident with aircraft. This data becomes part of the publicly available National Wildlife Strike Database. Strike reports provide critical information that allows the FAA to determine high-risk species, track national trends, evaluate the FAA's wildlife hazard management program, and provide scientific foundation for regulatory guidance. Additionally, this essential information allows engine and airframe manufacturers to evaluate the effectiveness of aircraft components. It also helps airports identify and mitigate hazardous species and the location of wildlife attractants, affords a better understanding of strike dynamics, and provides key metrics for an airport to evaluate the effectiveness of its wildlife management program.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by [insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

**ADDRESSES:** Please send written comments:

By Electronic Docket: www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field)

By mail: John Weller, 800 Independence Avenue SW, AAS-300, Washington, DC 20591

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Weller by e-mail at: john.weller@faa.gov; phone: (202) 267-3778.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

**OMB Control Number:** 2120-0045

Title: Bird/Other Wildlife Strike Report

Form Numbers: 5200-7.

**Type of Review:** This is a renewal of an information collection.

Background: 14 CFR 139.337, Wildlife Hazard Management, requires the FAA to collect wildlife strike data to develop standards and monitor hazards to aviation. Data identify wildlife strike control requirements and provide in-service data on aircraft component failure. Pilots, airport operations staff, aircraft and airport maintenance personnel, air traffic controllers, wildlife biologists, and anyone else having knowledge of a strike can report incidents to the FAA, primarily using the online version of FAA Form 5200-7. The data becomes part of the publicly available National Wildlife Strike Database used to

enhance safety by airports, airlines, engine and airframe manufacturers, and the FAA. Overall, the number of strikes annually reported to the FAA has increased from 1,850 in 1990 to more than 15,556 in 2021.

Respondents: Approximately 14,868 pilots, airport operations staff, aircraft and airport maintenance personnel, air traffic controllers, wildlife biologists, and others with knowledge of a strike

Frequency: As needed

**Estimated Average Burden per Response:** 5 minutes

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 1,239 hours.

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